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Boston, Feb. 25.—George W. Coleman, the missing bookkeeper of the National City Bank of Cambridge, who was wanted for the alleged looting of the institution to the amount of \$200,000, resulting in the closing of the bank on Wednesday, was arrested at 9:30 o'clock today by officers of the United States marshal's office. Coleman had been missing since one week ago today, one day before an examination of the bank was started.

Coleman was at once taken to the federal building and was assigned before United States Commissioner Haynes on the charge of looting the Cambridge bank of more than \$100,000.

The prisoner, without examination and was held in \$50,000. The defendant's counsel argued for \$50,000, but District Attorney French opposed it. Pending the securing of the bond, Coleman remained in the United States marshal's office under a guard. District Attorney French will present the case today to the grand jury, asking for an immediate indictment.

At the arraignment, United States District Attorney French declared that the Cambridge bank shortage could not be less than \$100,000. The only thing Coleman said was:

"Well, what do they expect a man to do on \$10,000 a week?"

The report gained credence last night that Coleman was in the vicinity and that he had been persuaded by his parents to come forward and be arrested, but there was friction over the bail bond, it was said.

The Bank's Shortage.

Hasty examination of the accounts of the bank yesterday shows that the alleged defaulters of Coleman had exceeded \$200,000, which is twice the amount of the total capitalization of the institution.

At the close of his first day of inquiry into the tangled affairs of the bank, former Gov. John L. Bates, acting as receiver under orders from the treasury department at Washington, made the following announcement last evening:

"No accurate statement of value can be made until after a more complete examination of the books, which will require several days. The preliminary examination indicates assets of about \$280,000 and liabilities of over \$400,000."

Despite his desire to be conservative, Mr. Bates, in predicting that the liabilities would exceed \$400,000, admitted that the originally announced deficit of \$144,000 would be surpassed.

A Woman in the Case?

Judging from common gossip, Coleman always had plenty of ready cash and was a high roller in the fullest sense of the term. He is said to have had a wide acquaintance among young women and to have patronized all the fashionable cafes of Boston.

Police officials and all others familiar with Coleman in Cambridge declare that his constant companion for the past three months was Mrs. Marguerite Wilson Taylor, a young divorcee, who lodged with her sister, Mrs. Thomas B. Tolman, 74 Pleasant street.

Mrs. Tolman said yesterday her sister, who is 36 and single, was divorced three years ago from Frank Taylor of Glenville, N. Y. Marguerite, whose maiden name was Wilson, had been keeping company with George Coleman and had gone away Washington's birthday, remarking that she was going on a long trip, but did not tell her destination.

Marguerite, since her separation from her husband, has been employed as a milliner in Boston department stores. Her aunt, Mrs. Rebecca Wilson of 88 Pleasant street, said she heard Marguerite had complained of George's attention to some other young woman of late, but didn't know who the rival was.

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Negro Who Was Identified by One of
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New York, Feb. 25.—William T. Boyd, a negro Pullman porter, arrested in Washington, was identified in Jersey City last night by Leslie H. Lord, a young Yale graduate of New York, as the man who shot him and his companion, Harrison F. Hughes, on a Jersey Central train early Wednesday. Hughes' condition is critical. Lord's abdominal wound is serious, but his chances for recovery appear good. The negro was put through the "third degree" last night and, according to the police, has confessed to the shooting, maintaining that the white men insulted the mulatto woman, who was with him. He will be held to await his outcome of the young men's injuries.

PREMIER ASQUITH
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London, Feb. 25.—Premier Asquith was forced to surrender today, agreeing to introduce a measure for the limitation of the lords' veto simultaneously with the budget. The situation was brought about through an alliance of the Radicals in his own party with the Irish Nationalists and Laborites. A plan has been formed to vote on the veto ahead of the budget. When the lords reject the measure, the premier will demand the creating of peers to insure its passage. In the event of the king refusing, the cabinet will resign.

BURGLARY APPEALED TO HIM.

Young College Man, Arrested in Pitts-
burg, Said So.

Pittsburg, Feb. 25.—"The life" of a burglar appealed to me. There's a case in it," said Stephen Austin, a college graduate, who upon being arrested last night confessed to holding up two drug store proprietors and several pedestrians in the Oakland and West End sections. His crimes had terrorized these sections for the past ten days. Early last night Austin was trying to adjust a revolver in his hip pocket when it exploded. The accident led to his arrest as a suspicious person and upon being questioned, he confessed to a long string of robberies, resulting in detail how each one was committed.

"I was just doing these small jobs," he said, "to keep living. I was waiting for a big haul I had in sight. When I came to pull off, the plain clothes men were so thick about the place that I had to wait."

Austin refused to name his university, but says his home is in Indiana, near Terre Haute. He selected young men, he said, because they were easily intimidated and he found it "easy" to make them do as he wished. He would change his clothing and return to observe the police searching for clues.

Austin said he had worked the same practice in Chicago, Cincinnati and St. Louis.

"Stephen Austin is my correct name, but that is not all of it," said the prisoner when urged to disclose his identity. "I know I'm in a bad fix, and I'm ready to take the consequences. I'm a crook and I'll do life if necessary but I won't disgrace my mother."

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NEW CONCERN
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PUT INTO BANKRUPTCY

Fred B. Cushman, a St. Johnsbury Stock
Buyer, Also Files in Bankruptcy
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Rutland, Feb. 25.—Two big business failures in Vermont were announced today through filing of petitions with Clerk F. S. Platt of the United States district court. The first of these is the Rae Electrical Equipment company of Springfield, which was petitioned into bankruptcy by three creditors, Harry A. Bligham and A. C. Crosby of Springfield and Miss Margaret Gray of Rutland Falls.

The petition sets forth that the company is insolvent and indebted to Mr. Bligham for \$12,000 for cash advanced, to Mr. Crosby for \$1,000 on an account and to Miss Gray for \$1,444 for services as stenographer. A receiver will probably be appointed by the court to dispose of the assets and close up the affairs of the company.

The other big failure is that of Fred B. Cushman of St. Johnsbury, a stock-buyer, who has filed a voluntary petition with Clerk Platt. He sets up his liabilities as \$25,827.87 and his assets as \$9,888.50. Fred A. Culebrat of Windsor, a machinist, has also filed a voluntary petition, setting up his liabilities at \$638.87 and his assets at \$1,020.

WESTON, VT., MAN
CLAIMS 110 YEARSJoseph Wood Celebrated Another Birth-
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Brattleboro, Feb. 25.—Joseph Wood of Weston, a little town back in the Windham county mountains, is undoubtedly the oldest person in the state, and he may hold the record of all New England, for yesterday he celebrated his 110th anniversary.

According to the best information obtainable, he was born in Canada, near the city of Montreal, February 24, 1800. He was the oldest person in the state, and he may hold the record of all New England, for yesterday he celebrated his 110th anniversary.

As a young man he was a laborer and wood-chopper. He has found great pleasure in the woods and fishing and has always been an attractive person to him. There with his friends and his pipe, his family and a good supply of home grown tobacco, he has found what has been to him the ideal recreation. In his ancestry he takes the greatest pride. His parents were of the true Parisian French. They came from France to Canada about three months before he was born. His grandfather lived to be 112 years old. His father might have lived to an equally great age except for a peculiar accident. He was once in a boat with a bushel of peas in a test of strength he ruptured himself and died.

Until he was 50 years of age Mr. Wood lived in Canada among his relatives and friends. He then came into Vermont, and has since made his home in the town of Weston. He was early in life a naturalist, and he still is. He is said to speak French better than English. He has been twice married. By his first wife he was the father of four children, and by his second marriage one child has been born. His later marriage took place sixty-two years ago and today Mr. and Mrs. Wood are both strong and well. Mrs. Wood is 79 years old and was born February 5, 1831.

About 10 years ago Mr. Wood's eyesight began to fail and he is now totally blind. Mr. and Mrs. Wood have a cozy little cottage on a small farm and both are thoroughly enjoying life.

CAR STRIKE SEEMS
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Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 25.—A slight disturbance only occurred at noon today, when one policeman was badly hurt while trying to disperse the rioters. Several strikers were beaten at the corner of Sixth street and Columbus avenue, when the police charged the crowd, the mob breaking away before their galloping horses. The union men are still firm in the belief that the company must recognize them. The company declares that more cars are running than at any time since the strike began, and it is the general belief that the strike is waning. The cars have been better patronized today than for many days.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

Among arrivals at the City hotel last
evening and today were N. E. Gordon,
N. B. Gillespie, R. G. Berry, Boston; C.
P. Parsons, Concord; N. H. J. F. Keith,
New York; Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Miller,
West Fairlee; B. H. Goodrich, Chelsea;
R. B. Titus, May Titus, Florence Titus,
Vershire; F. B. Royce, St. Albans.SPLENDID SPIRIT
SHOWN AT BANQUETMontpelier Board of Trade Last Night
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The members of the Montpelier board of trade held their first annual banquet at the Pavilion last night, and a most enjoyable time was spent, the banquet being one of the most elaborate ever served in the city. There was a large attendance and the speeches were in charge of Fred E. Olsson, the toastmaster. A variety of subjects were considered by the speakers, including politics, the improvement of the capital city and nearly every matter of importance before the eye of the public.

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